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SUBJ: LABOR- NEW SUMMIT MEETING BETWEEN DGB AND
EAST GERMAN FDGB

REF: BONN 14603, OCT 25, 72; A-952, NOV 6, 72

1. A TOP DELEGATION OF THE EAST GERMAN LABOR CONFEDERATION FDGB, INCLUDING PRESIDENT HERBERT WARNKE AND VICE- PRESIDENT WOLFGANG BEYREUTHER ARRIVED BY SPECIAL AIRCRAFT IN DUESSEL- DORF ON MARCH 14 TO CONTINUE THE TALKS WITH THE GERMAN TRADE UNION FEDERATION (DGB) OPENED IN EAST BERLIN ON OCTOBER 18-19, 1972. THE DGB DELEGATION IS HEADED BY PRESIDENT HEINZ OSKAR VETTER AND INCLUDES VICE- PRESIDENT MARIA WEBER (CDU), EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS GEORG NEEMANN AND GERHARD SCHMIDT, AND DR. BERND OTTO, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY IN THE DGB HEAD- QUARTERS.

2. DGB SOURCES CLAIM THE DISCUSSION ON TRADE UNION POLICY AND REPRESENTATION OF LABOR INTERESTS IN EAST AND WEST GERMANY WILL BE CONTINUED. THE DGB ALSO INTENDS TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE UP SOME SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE ON PERMITS FOR CHILDREN AND SEPARATED FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE GDR TO REJOIN THEIR FAMILIES NOW LIVING IN THE FRG AND TO INITIATE DISCUSSIONS ON A BILATERAL SOCIAL SECURITY AGREEMENT. THE MEETING ON MARCH 14 AND 15 WILL BE PRIVATE AND NO PRESS CONFERENCE IS PLANNED. DGB SOURCES CLAIM THEY EXPECT FEW RESULTS EXCEPT TO KEEP THE DOOR OPEN FOR FUTURE DIALOGUE.
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